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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lune, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street. NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 188, Nat-

sau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTOH, Melbourns and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports

CHINA :- Swatow, QUELCH & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, Huden & Co. Shanghai. LAME. CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH. Manila, C. HEIMEZEM & Co.

generally :- BEAR & BLACK, San Fran-

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY, SALE.

Macao, L. A. DI GRAGA.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya, on

FRIDAY. the 12th January, 1877, at Noon,-Electroplated Ware, Table Spoons and Forks, Butter Dishes, Sardine Boxes, Cash Boxes, Padlocks, Black Writing Ink, Merino & Lambawool Socks, Carving Knives, Tooth Brushes, Shoe Brushes, Etc.

30 tins Terpentine.

20 tins Varnish. 20 tins Dark and Light Oak Colour

Paint. TERMS OF SALE .- Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the

fall of the hammer. Hongkong, January 9, 1877:

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAND, PROPERTY AND TIMBER,

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale) on the Premises at Wanchai, on

MONDAY,

the 22nd January, 1877, at Noon,-

GROUND, with the BUILDINGS

erected thereon, belonging to Messrs S. E. BURROWS & SONS.

FIRST. That PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND. Registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 107, adjoining the Police Station No. 2, at Wanchai, with the TWO First Class GRANITE GODOWNS erected

thereon, viz.:-GODOWN No. 43, fronting on the Praya 521 feet, by an average of 73 feet Deep. Capacity about 1,300 Tons. Crown Rent, \$51 per

Annum. GODOWN No. 44, adjoining above, Two Stories, also fronting on the Praya 521 feet, by an average of 97 feet Deep. Capacity about 3,000 Tons. Crown Rent, \$69 per

Annum. Each Godown, with the Land on which it is erected, will be put up separately.

That PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND. Registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 121, at Wanchai, and formerly known as THE Hong-KONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COM-PANY'S YARD, fronting on the Praya 100 feet, by an average of 144 feet deep, containing 14,400 square feet. Crown Rent, \$180 per Annum.

About 86,000 Superficial feet of ORE GON PINE LUMBER, 2, 3 and 4 inches, in Lots to suit Purchasers.

Sundry Lots of TEAK and SINGA-PORE TIMBER, SHIP'S KNEES, WINCHES, BLOCKS, OLD IRON, SCALES.

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TERMS OF SALE

The Lang and Godowns .- One half of the Purchase Money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer. the expenses of which to be paid by the Purchaser. The Property to be at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. The Timper and Moveable Lots. Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the tall of the

For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers.

Hongroug, January 8, 1877,

Banks. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. REHERVE FUND 200,000 Dollara.

ING CORPORATION.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. Deputy Chairman-AD. ANDRE, Esq. F. Cordes, Esq. S. W. Pomerov, Esq. F. D. SASSOOM, Esq. Hoppius, Esq. 1. Molver, Esq.

Act. Chief Manager. Hongkong, . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED IN Current Deposit Accounts at the rate Ir of 1 percent. per annum on the daily

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LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities. and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the hiof Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, Chips and Japan.

Leting Uhley Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Bast. Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

T. JACKSON.

Entertainments.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY. PROGRAMME OF CONCERT

TO BE GIVEN AT THE

CITY HALL. Thursday Evening, January 11th, 1877.

> Commencing at 9 o'Clock. PART L

No. 1. Overture. - "Crown Diamonds." -

The following PIECES or PARCELS No. 2. Chorus. - "Galatea, dry thy tears" from "Acis and Galatea."-Handel. No. 3. Recitative and Air for Bass. from

"The Creation."-Hayda. No. 4. Part Song .- "The Sailor's Song." -Hatton.

No. 5. Recitative .- " In splendour bright. Trio and Chorus. - "The heavens are telling," from "The Creation. -Haydn.

No. 6. Trio for Pianoforte, Violin and Violoncello.- Hummel.

No. 7. Part Song .- "Sleep, while the soft evening breezes blowing."—Bishop. No. 8. Song .- "Will o' the Wisp." - Cherry. No. 9. Sow for Violoncello, -Andante from 2nd Concerto. - Gottermann.

No. 10 .- Part Song .- "Sir Knight, Sir Knight."—Macirone. No. 11.—Overture. — "La Cenerentola. —

Tickets, Price \$2 each, may be obtained of Messrs Lane, Chawford & Co., and at the Door of the Hall on the night of the

T. G. WILLIAMSON. Acting Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL. 37. Queen's Road, Hongkong. established 1853. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hungkong, April 28, 1876. HONGKONG.

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS. 38, Queen's Road,

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Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

TMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, 2 Near the Conton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1876,

Intimations.

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ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

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This Brandy is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

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AGNE.

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As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

BRIDGE, WATER CLOSETS, BATH-ROOMS,

REPAIRS to BUILERS, &c., &c., -all

For further particulars apply on Board

MENDERS as advertised for WORKS

1 on Board the "TEJO," will be Re-

ceived until 2 p.m. of the 11th Instant, at

refusing or accepting any of the Tenders.

THENDERS for REPAIRS to the British

will be Received by the Undersigned until

Noon on FRIDAY, the 12th Instant.

accept the cheapest or any Tender.

Hongkong, January 9, 1877.

Captain on Board, or to

fort of Visitors.

Auditors.

Barque UNANIMA, CAIN, Master,

The Captain does not bind bimself to

for particulars of the Work, apply to the

MACAO HOTEL,

PRAYA GRANDE, MACAO.

HOTEL will be OPENED, under

tue above title, in Spacious, Commodious,

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Proprietor.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAC

STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-first Ordinary Half-yearly

the Company will be held at the CITY HALL,

Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the

25th January instant, at 2 o'clock in the

afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a

Report of the Directors, together with

By Order of the Board of Directors,

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO

STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company

the 25th Instant, both days incluve.

Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

aign for us per Procuration,

Horgions, Japuary 1, 1877.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TR. H. C. FRIMARN has been admitted

We a Partner in our Firm, and Mr.

will be CLOSED from the 11th to

Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

Statement of the Accounts, and electing

MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in

Macao, January 8, 1877.

the 20 h Instant. a First Class

Hongkong, January 9, 1877.

The Commander to have the right of

A. G. RUMANO,

Acting Consul General.

MEYER & Co.,

F. AMARAL,

Commander "Tejo."

and interior arrangements, &c., &c.

on or about the 10th Instant.

Macao, January 6, 1877.

the Portuguese Consulate.

as per specification.

notices of Firms. TIENDERS for the undermentionep Works to the Portuguese Gunboat "TEJU," will be Received at the Portu-NOTICE. guese Consulate, Hongkong, on and after the THE BUSINESS of the Understaned will henceforth be carried on under 11th Instant ;-For NEW COPPER, OAULE-ING, NEW DECKS, FOREMAST, NEW the Name or Style of H. KIAR & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. NOTICE. TR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU, Jung., is authorized to sign the "Tejo," which will arrive in Hongkong

H. KLÆR.

W. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, December 23, 1876.

NOTICE. TR. LUDWIG SIEGMUND LUTRENS is M authorized to sign our Firm per Procuration. W. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. NOTICE. THE Undersigned has been appointed 1 SURVEYOR to LLOYDS REGISTER jall | at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS. 1, Club Chambers. Hongkong, April 20, 1876. VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPEN-SARY will be carried on by the Undersigned. WM, ORUICKSHANK Manager.

N and after the 16th day of November,

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

TR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been authorised to sign for us by Procuration. We have this day reopened a branch our Firm at Canton. SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

HE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of the late Mr J. C. KRUSE ceased with his death at Yokobama on the 27th of August last, and the Business will be carried on as heretofore and under the same Style and Firm by our Mr H. Kunt.

Mr RICHARD SCHÖNBERGER has been authorised to sign the Firm. KRUSE & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the G. RAYNAL & Co.

at this Port, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. GUSTAV RAYNAL, CARL MILISOH. Macao, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

NOTICE.

Interest and Responsibility of engaged, will lead Tea and General Cargo here and (or) at Whampon.

Viscount no Cental in our Birm ceased from the 1st April 1876. A. A. DE MELLO & Co. Macao, January 1, 1877.

T HAVE this day Established myself at this Port under my own name as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT. O. KEES.

Canton, January 9, 1877.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHARLES BEWICK QUELOR in our Firm Cessed on the 80th September, 1876.

The Business will be Continued under the Style of CAMPBELL & Co. QUELOH & CAMPBELL. Swatow, January 1, 1877.

NOTIOE. THE Firm of J. D. MEYER & FREEE will from this Date be carried on as ALFRED HERTZ has been authorized to heretofore under the Style of J. D. MEYER & Co. Swatow, January 1, 1977.

Notices of Firms.

NUTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late MR. Alfred Hutchison in our Firm Ceased on the 26th February 1876. DEACON & Co. Canton, January I, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing be-1 tween the Undersigned under the name of MESTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only. O. J. MESTERN,

Canton, December 81, 1876.

shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI AND TAIWANFOO. The Steamship " HAILOONG." Captain ABBOTT, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 13th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, January 9, 1877. FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY. (Taking through Cargo for MELBOURNE.) The Eastern and Australian

Mad Steam Co.'s Steamer "SINGAPORE" will be despatched as above on MUNDAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to -

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship Comdt. DE GIRARD, Will be despatched for YUKOHAMA

shortly after the arrival of the next French H. DU POUEY,

Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship Comdt. HEBNANDEZ, will be despatched for SHANGHA.

shortly after her arrival from Europe. H. DU POULY,

Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The Steamship "GLENFINLAS," Captain Wilcox, due from Shanghai and Foochow on or about the 6th Proximo, will have imme-

diate despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents Hongkong, December 26, 1876.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark "HANTS COUNTY" will load here and have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, December 30, 1876.

FOR LONDON. The A i British Bark

For Freight, apply to Hongkong, November 29, 1876.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Ship KNIGHT, Maeter, will load here and have quick despatch.

Hor Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hougkong, January 2, 1877.

FOR MANILA . The Spanish Brig "SAN LORENZO,"

Pico, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

(If sufficient Inducement offers.) The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Russian Ship " VANADIS," WEKLAND, Master, will load here and have quick despatch

For Freight, Sugar or Measurement, VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

The A 1 Danish Bark Captain Normer, will load here and at Whampon, and will have

quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, December 2, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Bark "TOKATHA."

Hongkong, November 25, 1876. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 15, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. Port, and will have early

despatch. For Freight, apply to

FOR NEW YORK. The A1 British Clipper Barque "UNANIMA." CAIN, Master, will load here

Port, and meet with early despatch. For breight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

motices to consignees.

SINGAPORE. HE Steamship Arratoon Apcar, Captain MAGI'AVISH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery

at once landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, January & 1877.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be

MANILA. CONSIGNEES of Cargo per above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored by

the Undersigned in his Godown at their

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

MOTION TO CONSIGNEES. CONSIGNEES of the following Caree STABELL, Master, having the Cargo Lading to the Undersigned for counter.

> No Fire Insurance has been effected. Agent Ex Tanals, December 11th, 1876.

Ex Sindh, December 14th, 1878;

> 10 bundles Coppes Ex Traouaddy.

N (in diam.) No. 814 One cask Chalk. 5/8 4 cases Coppe Shooting,

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

CUTWATER,"
CREELMAN, Master, will load
here and will have quick despatch as above.

FOR HAMBURG.

G. HARRISON, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick

The A 1 American Barque THOMAS MERRILL, Master, will load here for the above

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1877.

and at Whampoa for the above

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

of their Goods.

S. S. ESMERALDA, FROM

A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, December 25, 1876.

signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. A. DU POURY

J U No. 736/48=13 cases Curles.

No. N (in diam:) 10/11 24 casta Stadrick.

For sale.

SAYLE &

TEG to Solicit inspection of their WIN-D TER STOCK. Rich Black Glace and Grosgrain SILKS, from the Best French Makers. Coloured Grosgrain and Fancy SILKS, Black, White and Coloured SATINS. Japanese SILKS, Better and Cheaper

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PELERINES. Infants' ROBES, CLOAKS and PE-LISSES. Infants' HOODS, HATS and BONNETS

Ladies' and Children's UNDER-CLOTH-Fancy Flannel Dressing GOWNS and Morning WRAPPERS.

KID GLOVES. and Children's BOOTS and MILLINERY and DRESSMAKING.

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"Instructive and amusing enough sommand a ready sale."-Daily Press. For Sale by

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TRUBNER & Co. Mesara Kelly & Walsh.

Price -- Half Bound Roan, \$2.00 Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. Oulling at SINGAPORE and PENANG. The Steamship

Captain Moller, will be despatched as above on or about the 18th Instant.

For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR COOKTOWN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. The Eastern and Australian

Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "SOMERSET" will be despatched as above. from SINGAPORE, on or about the 4th February next.

For Freight or Passage, apply to the Undersigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Penguin having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of General Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed by the Undersigned Into their G downs at Consignees' risk. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 16th Instant will be subject to rent. Opium is deliverable from on Board. No Fire Insurance has been effected. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

TO. 1 of the "TOKIO TIMES" Weekly Journal) will be Published at Tokio on Saturday, January 6, 1877. Terms of Subscription: \$12 per Year. Single Copies, 25 cents. Advertisements: 50 cents per Inch or part of an inch, and \$5 per Column.

Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

Orders received by Mesure Lane, Chawford & Co. Hongkong, January, 1877.

Ready. WOW

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Ohing Mail Office, Mongrous, January 10, 1877.

·To-day's Advertisements.

TO LET. TYOUSE No. 7. Caine Road, lately occupled by Mr PARKER. House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIDD. DAVID SASSOON, SONE & Co. Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Meither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:--

VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks. | For CALLAO.-_Melchers & Co. MADAME DEMOREST, British barque, Captain C. H. Bessit.—Gibb, Livingston

BEETHOVEN, German barque, Captain Haje. - Melchers & Co. BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain W. Crisp.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. FLYING CLOUD, British barque, Captain H. Williams,—Turner & Co. IRENE, German schooner, Captain O. Hansen.—Carlowitz & Co. HANTS COUNTY, British barque, Captain

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Jan. 9, Tohing Tsing, Chinese gunboat,

G. W. Cochran. - Meyer & Co.

Jan. 10, Humboldt, German barque. 830. A. F. Stoll, Laguimanoe Jan. 3, Timber. -EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co. Jan. 10. Christian, German schooner, 280, D. Stehr, Keelung Jan. 7. Coal.

EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co. Jan. 10. Spirit of the Age, British barque, 347, Rich. Johnson, Yokohama Dec. 28, Ballast, — Captain.

Jan. 10, Hailoong, British steamer, 277, J. C. Abbott, Foothow Jan. 7, Amoy 8, and Swatow 9, General, -Douglas La-PRAIR & Co.

DEPARTURES. Jan. 10, Leyte, for Manila. 10. Ocean, for Saigon. 10. Kronprins Gustaf, for London. 10. Uzziah, for Haiphong.

CLEARED. Mount Washington, for Iloilo. Kate Waters, for Melbourns. Deutschland, for Guam Goliah, for Bangkok. Tokatea, for San Francisco. San Francisco, for Singapore, Fontenaye, for Iloilo.

> PASSENGERS. ARRIVED.

Per Halloong, from Coast Ports. 8 Euroean deck, and 112 Chinese deck. DEPARTED.

Per Leyte, for Manila, Capt. Walker, and Ohinese deck. Per Ocean, for Saigon, 4 Europeans and 100 Chinese.

Per Kronprins Gustaf, for London. Per Uzziah, for Haiphong, 20 Chinese, To DEPART.

Per Goliah, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese, SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German schooner Christian reports: Fine weather throughout. The British barque Spirit of the Age re-Strong adverse currents which prevented us from getting through Vandieman's Straits. Un the 5th inst. passed Loochoo. since when have had fresh N.E. winds and fine weather.

The British steamer Hailoong reports Foothow to Amoy strong monsoon and clear. Amoy to Swatow fresh monsoon. thence to port moderate monsoon and fine clear weather. In Amoy :- Chinese str. Cheang Hock Kian, S. S. Foochow, and H. M. S. Growler. In Swatow: -S. S. Atalanta and Tientsin, and Chinese g.-b.

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING. The following is taken from the latest London Papers :-

DEPARTURES. June 9, Aurora, from Richmond, U.S. to Hongkong, Sept. 1, Bertha, from Hamburg to Hong-Sept. 2, Frederick, from Cardiff to Hong-

Sept. 8, McNear, from Cardiff to Hong-Sept. 14, Tyburnia, from London to Hong-

Sept. 16, Sarah Nicholson, from London to Sept. 16, Western Belle, from Cardiff to Sept. 17, Palestine, from London to Hong-

Sept. 18, A. T. Stalknechdt, from Cardiff Sept. 23, Agnes Muir, from London to Oct, 3, Belle of Oregon, from Cardiff to

Oct. 5, Wega, from Hamburg to Chefoo, Oct. 8, Glamorganshire, from London to

Oct. 12. Omba, from London to Shanghal, Oct. 14, Sir Harry Parkes, from London to Nov. 12, Lima, from London to Hongkong.

Nov. 13. Rurik, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Nov. 14, Egerla (str.), from London to China and Japan, Nov. 16, Hydra, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 16. Menelaus (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghal. Nov. 16, Benarty (str.), from Glaugow to Chine and Japan, via London. Nov. 17. Cassandra (str.), from Hamburg to Shanghal.

Nov. 17 Eliza Shaw, from London to Shanghai. Central and Western Asia in the Fif. Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong. Nov. 23, Braemar Castle (str.), from London to Shanghat.

> LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS. At Londosn-Sieumers via Suez Canals Galley of Lorne, Gienroy, -Cyphrenes.

Sailing Vessels.

Thief. Albert Victor. Western Chief. Uhinaman. Carricks. At Liverpool.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:

For BANGKOK .--Per barque GOLIAH, at 9.30 a.m. Tomorrow, the 11th inst. FOR AMOY AND SHANGHAL .-

Per OALABAR, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 11th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For ILOILO. Per ship FONTENAYE, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 11th inst. For SHANGHAL --

Per NINGPO, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 12th inst., instead of as previously notified. Per barque J. H. LOVE, at 11 a.m., on

Saturday, the 13th inst.

For COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY.-Per SINGAPORE, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 15th inst. Mails will also be closed for other ports of E. Australia, New Zealand, and Tasmania, 8 cents rates.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet SINDH. will be despatched on THURS-DAY, the 11th January, 1877, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-

Wednesday, January 10th .--5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Office closes except the Night Box. which remains open all night. Thursday, January 11th.—

A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence,

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late /11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only)

addressed to the United Kingdom Saigon, or Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office Closes

Hongkong, December 29, 1876. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACEET. The United States Mail Packet CITY OF

entirely.

TOKIO, will be despatched on MON. DAY, the 15th Instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be closed as follows :--2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes.

2.80 P.M. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage

2.50 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. Stamps are sold at this Office. General Post Office,

Hongkong, January 3, 1877.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET. The English Contract Packet GEELONG will be despatched with the Mail for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 18th Inst.

The following will be the hours of closing the Malls, do. :-Wednesday, January 17th,-5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Nicht Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, January 18th,— 7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale

of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence." 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters cesses.

10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

(11.80 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 AM., when the Mail is finally

Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

General Memoranda.

BRIDAY, January 12:--Tenders to Repair the British barque Unanima, will be received at the office of the Agents up to Noon. Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messra Lane, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, January 13:--Noon. - Halloong leaves for Amoy, Tamsul and Talwanfoo. Monday, January 18:--

Noon. -Singapors leaves for Cooktown and Sydney. 8 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohams and San Francisco.

Tuesday, January 16 -Goods por Penguin undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Thursday, January 18:-Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Altera leaves for London on or about this

Monday, January 22:-Noon; -Sale of Ground, Timber, &c., at Wanchai. Thoreday, January 25:--

a p.m. Moeting of Shareholders of the H., O. & M. Steambost Co., Limited, at City Hail. THURSDAY, February I 3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental B. B. Co. Steamer leaves for Yokonama and Ban

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

Noon.-French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Hurope. Meeting. 6 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

Amusement. 9 p.m.-H. K. Choral Society's Concert at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous. Transfer Books of H., C. & M. Steamboat Co. closed from this date till 25th Instant, inclusive.

Tenders for the Repairs of the gunboat Tejo will be received at the Portuguese Consulate until 2 p.m.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

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Judging from the fact that two coolies

have been convicted at different times during the past week of using certificates of registration that did not belong them, it would seem that a little more vigilance in engaging and registering servants is desirable. Singularly enough in both the cases in question the names of some of the highest representatives law and justice in the Colony were made use of to perpetrate the fraud. the one case the coolie endeavoured to obtain employment by presenting a certificate endorsed with the names of the Chief Justice and the United States Consul, and in the other the document bore the name of the junior Magistrate as one of the late employers of the applicant. The certificates in each case belonged to other ocolies. The impudent mendacity displayed by one of the offenders when before the Court was quite characteristic of his nationality. He was the coolie that had presented the English Mails, left Penang yesterday certificate bearing the name of the junior | (Tuesday) afternoon. Magistrate, and when brought before that official, himself, on the charge, he calmly persisted in his representation that he had been in his employ, and it was only on Mr Russell suggesting that his boy, who had been with him some nine years, should be called to refute the statement, that the prisoner admitted the certificate did not belong to him ! These cases naturally raise a suspicion, which under the circumstances is by no means unreasonable, that a good many of servants obtain engagements on certificates other than their own. Under the Registration Ordinance of 1866 it is not lawful for any person other than Chinese to engage and employ any servant not provided with a certificate of registration, nor is it lawful for any person to engage himself as a servant without being provided with such certificate. Every person who engages himself as a servant is also to report the fact within seven days at the Registrar General's Office and produce his certificate of registration for the purpose of having the name of his employer endorsed on it and recorded at the Office. It is also provided that any person who shall use a certificate of registration which has not ja18 | been duly obtained by him at the Registrar General's Office shall be liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for not less than one and not more than six calendar months, and to a fine, either in addition or substitution of such imprisonment, of not less than five dollars and not more than one hundred dollars. In one of the two cases we have been referring to the offender was Swatow, sentenced to one month's hard labour tional months hard labour, and in the board as cargo, and on the arrival of the other case the offender was fined 65. Considering that in the latter case, the worth \$200. The prisoner said he came Magistrate had to deal with what singular that he should escape with a 65 fine, while his unfortunate companion in trouble should be mulated in \$10 and sentenced to one month's imprisonment in addition. It is true that the case in which the lighter punishment was inflicted was the first of the two that came before the Court, but otherpunishments ordered should differ, excepting in the fact that they were

inflicted by different Maglettates.

to use any certificate of registration which shall not have been duly obtained by him at the Registrar General's office shall be liable to imprisonment," with or without hard labour, for not than one, and not more than six calen- hard labour. dar months, and to a fine, either in addition to or in substitution of such imprisonment, of not less than \$10, and not more than \$100." There seems to in the Colony just now to obtain situations by means of fraud. At the same time that one of the above offenders was convicted, a Hindoo watchman was charged with endeavouring to obtain employment by means of a forged certificate. The prisoner presented a certificate, purporting to be endorsed by the pier-master in the employ of the P. & O. good, conduct very good." It was shown that defendant had been dismissed from the service of the pier-master, and that the words in question were a simple for-The prisoner, unfortunately for himself, made the mistake of presenting the forged certificate to the police for employment. Enterprise in Lais case was rewarded with a month's imprison-

"SKETCHES of Excursions to Chusan

Pootoo, Nanking, and Kioto" is the

title of a small work, just published, from the pen of Mr. R. S. Gundry of detailed review. As the author states animals appeared to be ill, -Dr, Ayres, collection of letters that have been published from time to time in the Herald at Shanghai or the London Times revised, however, added to, and in some cases connected, in the compilation. \$5 each. The worst animal was ordered to Gundry's descriptions of his excursions, be destroyed and buried. made as these were to places com paratively little known to foreigners but abounding in objects and sights of interest, as well as in historical associations, will be read with pleasure by every one who takes up the book. is to be hoped that the republication, in this form, of the author's remarks wit regard to the state of the graves of the foreigners who were killed or died from disease at Chusan will result in the attention of the proper authorities being drawn to the subject. These graves are said to be sadly out of repair, and "the awful record of 431 deaths in the 55th Regiment stands amidst brick-stacks granite slabs and a heap of empty fish shells." Then again the Chinese are commencing to deposit their dead among the ashes of the foreigners, and while the author cannot regard this as desecration, yet he would rather that such encroachments were not made. The paper was written in 1872, but it appears from a foot-note to the page that, although some repairs have been made to one or two of the monuments, yet the graves are still neglected.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Lombardy, with the next outward

WE are informed by the Agents (Messrs ardine Matheson & Co.) that the steamer Glenroy left Singapore for this port on Tuesday, the 9th instant.

Ir is clear that official machinery at home is insufferably slow of movement, and the home authorities must be very reluctant to give an official and authoritative utterance to a statement before every means be resorted to for ascertaining its unquestionable truth. An illustration of this is given us in the following startling telegram "just to hand" forwarded to us by the courteous agent of Reuter's Telegram Company :-"Sir A. E. Kennedy's appointment as Governor of Queensland is officially notis fled." We trust Sir Arthur will feel relieved, now that his appointment has been placed beyond all question, although, since the journals in four or five continents have been discussing for some little time th and passage-tickets have been inquired for, it was hoped that even the London Gazette would give way at last, and thus set our

> Police Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq) January 10, 1877.

AN UMPLHASANT MISTAKE. Yim Asng, a stone-cutter, was charged and to pay a fine of \$10, or, in default with stealing a box of silk from the steamer of the payment, to undergo two addi- Kiukiang. There were boxes of silk on to leave with one of them. The silk was the from Canton and he mistook the box mendacious offender who didn't stick silk for a box of his own. For this slight at a barefaced lie in Court, it is some mistake, he was sent to six months' hard

Tham Achun and ten others were affeated for hanging on or getting on board the form to permit of its comparison with pre-S. S. Penguin on her arrival from Singapore | sent arrangements. It is one of the accusayesterday evening before she came to an tions against Mr. Macalister, that during his anchor. The first seven were arrested by visit to England last year, he being then P. C. Thos. Young, and the last four by it must be remembered, Premier of the wise we can find no reasons why the the officers of the ship. -Mr J. W. Lowson, colony, promised the company that upon 2nd officer of the Penguin, stated that his return he would recommend an increased when the steamer was half-way up the subsidy for an increased speed. He appears: harbour, and long before she came to an however, not even to have mentioned the anchor, a number of boats surrounded her matter to his colleagues, and pleads the and hooked on to wherever they could get state of his bealth as the reason for also cannot quite understand how the fine of 55 was awarded under the Ordin- a chance. The last four were warned by forgetting his promise. This mail services, ance, seeing that it expressly provides him before they got over the rails. When which was somewhat derided by our big that "any person using or attempting they came over the Captain told witness to brothred, has not only been a very success:

arrest them. The boats were interfering with the navigation of the ship. She would not steer with so many boats hanging to her. Eight of the defendants said they went on board to get letters and to receive friends. Fined \$5 each or 21 days'

ILL-TREATMENT.

Leung Cho Shap, a married woman hail. ing from Macao, was charged with beating be an unusual propensity among servants a servant girl named Sul Akam, aged 13 years of age. Two days ago the defendant ordered her to cook congee, but she complained of her being late and beat her with a piece of firewood on the head and on the body. The complainant went on board the Canton steamer and was brought back by the Compradore. - P. C. Moggeridge stated that the girl was given to his charge by the purser of the Kiukiang.—Inspector Thomson proved the existence of some bruises Company, with the words "character on the girl's shoulders. The defendant said the girl stole 200 cash and she beat her for it. Fined \$10, and the girl was to be taken care of by the Gaol matron pending a reference to the girl's mother at

> George May, seaman on board the British chooner Nicolino, was found drunk and incapable in the street. Fined 50 cents. David Davis, seaman British barque Marquis of Argyll, was fined \$1 for being drunk. He was very noisy and broke a

BRINGING BAD CATTLE INTO THE COLONY. Four Chinamen were charged with bringfrom the pen of Mr. R. S. Gundry of ing diseased bullocks into the Colony. P. the North China Herald, Shanghai. C. Richard Brown found some bullocks The book is scarcely one calling for a being discharged from a cargo boat and the in his preface, the volume is merely a Colonial Surgeon, proved that the animals. were all more or less suffering from inflam. mation of the bowels. One was particularly bad, and should be destroyed; the others might recover by proper treatment. The

st and 2nd were fined \$2 each, 3rd and 4th

Thirty-four men and two women, the former comprising a dumb lad and a leper. were brought up for gambling in house No. 18 Taipingshan Street. The 1st and 2nd were identified as being the managers. After some evidence was taken, the lat-2nd, 4th, 6th, 9th, 13th, 15th, 25th, 26th, and 27th were remanded till to-morrow at 2.80 p.m. The others were discharged.

James Austin, a printer, George Kirby carpenter and Thos. Melarum, steward all unemployed, were charged with being destitutes. They were remanded till the

Cheung Asow, tailor, Ho Ashing, moneychanger, Li Ashap, barber and Tsang A yung, shopkeeper, were charged with uttering counterfeit coins and being in possession of counterfeit coins also. Sergt. Lindsay and P. C. Pang A Loi went on board the Sowkewan launch and observed something suspicious about the movements of the defendants when they were called upon to pay their passage. He examined the colum they paid and they were bad. They had

a box with them, and it contained \$21

bad dollars, 12 taels bad broken silver, also

a box of quicksilver, salt plums and chops

for dollars. The case was remanded till

the 13th. QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT AND THE E. & A. MAIL

COMPANY.

A preliminary proceeding has been taken in the Legislative Assembly on the motion of Mr A. H. Palmer, for doubling the subsidy to the Eastern and Australian Mail Company, and requiring of them an increased speed of ten knots, and a termination of the postal service at the port of Brisbane. This would not materially, if at all, affect the position of New South Wales towards this service, as the steamers after delivering their mails and waiting here for two or three days, would proceed southwards with their cargo, a condition which of course no attempt would be made to interfere with. The company have undoubtedly carried out their contract admirably, and that in the face of accidents and losses which were very discouraging, and which under less vigorous management must have led to a serious disarrangement of the service if not to a break-down of the contract. Although the present subsidy of £10.000 a year is not large, we have to bear the entire burden of it ourselves, unassisted by the southern colonies; while for more than six months of the year our Southern districts, comprising the principal business establishments and the largest half of the population of the colony, have no opportunity of replying to their letters bearings of the change of administration, by return of post. Mr Palmer charges the representatives of the Southern colonies, at the conference held in Sydney in 1873. with distinct breach of faith in the matters both of the postal terminus and of contributions to the subsidy; but as Queensland has successfully maintained the service ... unsided, and is prepared to improve upon it at her own cost it is not worth while raking up these old sores. The steamers on the line at present are capable of doing a ten-knot service, and as the postal contract, as such, has not hitherto paid the company, while the colony has respect substantial advantage from their admirable conduct of it, public sympathy is strongly with them. The Government do not favour the proposed change, and as the session is in articulo mortis, it is possible that the further technical stages necessary to give effect to Mr Palmer's resolutions may not be taken; while it is said that the Government are in possession of an offer from the A. S. N. Co. for a ten-knot fervice for the amount of the present subsidy paid to the

E. and A. M. Company. The contract

with the latter baving, however, four years

to run, no such offer can be considered.

nor, indeed, probably has it been made in

ful one, but has in no slight degree streng- operation. The Court were of opinion thened the relations between Australia and | that the collision was caused by the yacht the East, and its maintenance upon a strong | not holding her course; by keeping her footing would seem to be a matter of some head sails on her, and throwing the wind common interest to the several colonies; out of the mainsail, or by [not] lowering but as Queensland is strong enough to her jib as well as her foresail, so as maintain it unaided, it will, from all points to intimate to the steamer that she was of view, be more satisfactory that she shall about to bring up. Nautical men will not do so, making such arrangements as may understand the meaning of this decision, be fair to the southern colonies for its use and we fail to do so. We can understand by them.

NIAGARA CROSSED BY A FEM LE TIGHTROPE WALKER.

The daring Signorina Speltina, a young which discerned the yacht quite distinctly Italian lady, performed a short time ago three miles off, and thus deliberately apher promised feat of walking across the Niagara Falls on a tight-rope, which was was as alleged, forging through the water stretched immediately over the point where at the rate of only one knot per hour, and the rapids boil most furiously, and a couple | disabled, the probability is that the Cymba of hundred feet beyond the suspension would have struck her, had the yacht bridge. At this point, the same at which lowered her gaff and hauled down her jib. Blandin stretched the second rope, the The Board of Trade must have considered gorge is more than one thousand eight the Master of the Cumba blameable, for the hundred feet across, and the banks about | counsel who appeared for that Department two hundred feet above the seething water. was instructed to prefer a charge against the It is one of the wildest and most troubled | Master of the ship in the following terms: parts of the river. The rope was two and __... That the loss of and serious damage to a quarter inches in diameter, of the best the Vigilant, and the loss of divers lives of manilla and weighed nearly afton. The her Crew, have been caused by his wrongful green bodice. Bands at each side of the stepping forward with measured and steady destination she stood immovable for a moment while being photographed. She then traversed the remaining distance safely. The wind toyed with the Signorina's flowing hair, but did not disturb her equipoise; few fancy steps, which showed her thorough disregard of fear.

IMMURED.

When Dr. Buckland was Dean of Westminster; the lately deceased Dr. Rimbault applied to him for permission to make extracts from the registers of the Abbey, in order to ascertain the dates of admission and of the decease of the eminent men who had been on the establishment at Westminster. The difficulty which presented itself to the Dean's mind was, that it would be too great a tax upon his own time to wait while the give up the keys of the muniment-room to cases of literary research, and, therefore, offered to take Dr. Rimbault into the room. and to leave him there, to be let out at any appointed time. ticularly agreeable to Dr. Rimbault, as he work without interruption. Thinking that about three hours would suffice, and as he dired at an early hour, he appointed one o'clock. The Dean was not punctual, and the Doctor worked on. dinner, his extracts were finished, and he wished only to be gone. "What could have detained the Dean?" But no step was to be The evening service soon began, and at length the last peal of the organ had faded away, and was quiet. It then became evident that Dr. Rimbault was forgotten; and how long was this to last? Before daylight had quite passed away, he had in a trap from which it was impossible to the window nor make himself heard. He inevitable if, as asserted, the steamer could hydrogen gas. With this balloon, then, it was quite at the mercy of the Dean's have gone well clear of the yacht had will be possible to raise more than 200,000 memory, for he had not told any one where not the latter luffed. It was attempted to visitors 1660 feet above the earth during he was going, because he expected to return home within a few hours. "Would his disappearance be advertised, and would the Dean see it, and when?" Dr Rimbault had none of the bodily fat which is said to support life under long periods of fasting, and the lust was, therefore, an important question with him. "When would the muniment room be next visited?" was indeed a remote contingency; so that, like Genevra in the chest which had closed over her with a spring lock, nothing but his skeleton might then be found. From these uncomfortable reflections Dr. Rimbault was released late at night. He had drawn together some parchments to recline upon, but not to sleep, when at last a key was heard in the door. The good dean had gone home to dinner, and had taken his siesta. after which he commenced ruminating on the events of the day, and at last, thought of his prisoner. He returned to the Abbey at some inconvenience, and set him free with many apologies. .Dr. Rimbault's ardour to be shut up in a muniment-room had then quite cooled .- Athenceum.

THE CYMBA AND THE VIGILANT.

(Mitchell's Maritime Register.) A recent Inquiry at Westminster before the Wreck Comnissioner, in which he was assisted by two Nautical Assessors, reveals a danger which the Rules of the Road are seemingly unable to avert. It was the case of the Cymba (s) colliding with the cutter yacht Vigilant in the Thames during broad daylight and in fine weather. The evidence was not altogether reliable, for, as usual, asveral important assertions were made which evidently contradict each other. On which side the truth rests it is not for us to determine, and, therefore, we shall treat the casualty as one of misadventure, or. perhaps, inevitable accident. The Vigilant was on the port tack, and her Master say she was heading W.N.W., with the wind at W.S.W. The Cymba appeared to be coming stem on to the yacht, and on the latter's helm being put down the tiller broke, and she came up to the wind. As the steamer was under a port helm, and appeared to be crossing the bows of the Vigilant, luffing up in the wind would have stopped the progress of the vacht. and given the Cymba a better chance of going clear. When the tiller broke the sails stood full, but directly the foresail was hauled down she altered her course. The Crew of the Vigilant shouted to those on board the steamer to starboard and go astern, but the two yearels, it is said had got so near to each other to render this change impracticable. should be understood, also, that steamer's sails were act, and, as the Mate of the Delaval, who was called as an independent witness by the Board of Trade. declared his vessel was making hiz and a half knots under canvas alone, it would have been an impossibility for a pair of 140-horse power engines to stop the speed of a wessel of 790 tons, and to have caused her to go satern in the time left for the

that, when the Yachtsmen saw the steamer approaching them, and they were in a crip; led condition, all the sails should have been lowered as an intimation that she was about to anchor. If the steamer, however, proached her, could not clear her when she

lady was attired in green boots, fleshcolored act and default-namely, by the nontights, a tunic of scarlet, and a shining observance by the Cymba, while he was in charge of the deck of the Cymba, of the river played during the walk. She reached regulations made by and in pursuance of the Canadian side in 11 minutes. At the the Merchant Shipping Amendment Act, expiration of 10 minutes the Signorina 1862, and, in particular, of his nonagain appeared, balance-pole in hand, and observance of Articles 15, 16, and 20 of began the return journey. Steadily she the Regulations for preventing collisions came back across the long line, stopping at at sea." Under Article 15 a steamship absolutely impermeable to hydrogen gas, the centre to rest upon one knee, then again has to give way to a sailing vessel. Article 16 prescribes that every steamtread. When within a few rods of her final ship, when approaching another vessel so as: to involve risk of collision, shall slacken her speed, stop, and reverse; and Article 20 states that nothing in the Rules shall exonerate any ship, or the Owner or Crew thereof, from the consequences of and she enlivened her sedate march with a lany neglect to keep a proper look-out, or of the neglect of any precaution which may be required by the ordinary practice of Seamen, or by the special circumstances of the case. We might criticise the incidents of this disaster more minutely, and express. a strong opinion on some of its points, but we shall pass them over for the present. to join the pieces together of which it is sir; it was outside of the tent." "No, no The Jury at the Coroner's inquest had all composed will take nearly four miles of I wish to know if it was a preconcerted the facts before them, and arrived at a sewing, with 22 miles of thread. The car verdict of "accidental death." They acmissioner, condemn the Master of the reserved; in the centre of this space the Western Independent. Vigilant, although they had before them the judgment of the Court to help them | circumference, will be joined to the upper allusions to the Steering Rules, we constantly indicate the ascending power may look upon the collision as having of the balloon. This serial machine will therefore, he could not account for her ascent. The cable will descend to apparently attempting to disregard Art. 18 hand, it is possible the Master of the Violant three o'clock the latter felt the want of his | might have warned the Captain of the sails, of the crippled condition of his yacht, though it is doubtful whether any act whatever would have averted the contact. The engines of the Cumba, it is said, were stopped some one hundred yards before the collision took place. The Cumba is 224 feet 3-10 inch in length for tonnage, and more than that over-all. No steamer, when

We think, therefore, that the calamity was | but easily-worked apparatus will fill it with be demonstrated that no allowance was the continuance of the Exhibition. They made by the Master of the Cymba for the may contemplate from that height, surpassaction of the propeller. This is all a waste | ing that of Il Arcs de Triomphe, the fine of argument, for the ship could not have | tableau of the city of Paris and its surroundgathered stern-way in one hundred yards [ings; and they will be able to see that the from the time of her first stopping. We scenes described by aeronauts are not have often cautioned Masters and Pilots, exaggerated pictures. The steam captive that a steamer's stern, in backing, is turned to port or starboard according to the pitch Exhibition great park, between the Palace of the screw. With the helm amidships and the Jena bridge. M. Giffard proposes one vessel will go to port, and another to to construct this enormous machine entirely screw being left or right-handed. Then, hundred thousand francs-an insignificant again, there is a difference exerted by a sum, however, compared to the fortune of two-bladed, a three-bladed, or a four- | the inventor of the "injector."-Times. bladed screw. The action of the rudder is frequently diverted by the water acting on the blade of a screw on the opposite side. or its turning power is neutralised. This fix the fault on her. These who desire to

will have to look for a more tangible rea-

son than that of the screw paralysing the

TOO POOR TO FIGHT? There is a dangerous belief gaining ground in England that Russia can only ruin herself by war, and that consequently Britain should not show too much anxiety to bring about a peace. The well-known poverty of Russia is of course one of the main grounds of this belief. This is good ground for believing that Russia is reasonably unwilling a halt for want of money. And if she

recent article. is desirable for Germany; indeed, nothing can be clearer than the fact that if the latter Power had really wished for peace, a word | being the more probable. would have passed between her own diplomatists and certain others long ago, the war path on which she has now been led so far. But, it is of not much consequence to is embroiled, or for what reason. Enough

aware that as soon as she takes active stops against Russia, she will have to reckon with the French nation on the other side. - Friend of India.

A MONSTER BALLOON. Visitors to the Exhibition of 1867 may remember on the Champ de Mars a captive balloon of large size. This was the first captive balloon, that had been manouvred means of a steam-engine, the balloon tself having been 176,660 cubic feet in capacity, and capable of rising upwards of 800 feet above the ground. This was the time considered a great aerostatic triumph, and was due to M. Henry Giffard, the inventor of the well-known "injector, from which invention, for many years past, he has been in the enjoyment of a handsome fortune. The organizers of the Philadelphia Exhibition asked M. Giffard, we believe, to construct a similar balloon for the great Centenary display, but the wealthy Frenchman would not listen to the proposal, as he wished to reserve an aerostatic surprise for the visitors to the next International Exhibition of Paris. M. Giffard has devised the construction of a balloon for 1878 which will far surpass any effort hitherto made in this direction, and which will, no doubt, be one of the most popular attractions at the forthcoming Exhibition. The plans were submitted to the Commissioners of the Exhibition by M. G. Tissandier.

who has just published some of the details of construction. This new balloon will be formed of a resisting material, solid. manufactured of alternate sheets of linen and caoutchouc, protected externally by several layers of varnish, and coated with white paint to diminish the effects of the sun's rays. This balloon will have a capacity of nearly 710,000 cubic feet, and will form an immense sphere, the greatest ever constructed, the diameter of which will not be less than 112 feet. By means of a system of valves it will be managed with the greatest case. When moored to the plaintiff down with a malice prepense!" the ground, the balloon will form a monumental dome 166 feet high, exceeding by 15 feet the height of the Arc de Triomphe. | my friend: I wish to know whether he The balloon itself will weigh 8800 lbs., and attacked him with any intent." "Oh no. of the balloon will form a gallery 50 feet affair, it was at a circus." He (the lawyer) quitted the Master of the Cymba of all in circumference. A circular space in the blame, but did not, like the Wreck Com- centre of 10 feet in diameter will be cable, a powerful rope of 10 inches in their conclusions. Divested of all circle by means of an apparatus which will been incurred through the accident to be held to the earth by eight cables, the yacht at a critical moment, when the attached to iron rings fixed securely in steamer was perilously nigh at hand. The masonry, and will be suspended above a Master of the Cymba did not know that | vast conical basin. The car will be reached the Vigilant had lost her steering power by two-movable gangways, and from 40 to and was temporarily unmanageable, and, 50 persons will be taken on board at each bottom of the conical basin, and by means in not holding her course. On the other of a secure system of wheels will be carried along a tunnel to be worked by an engine of 200-horse power. This cable will be Cymba, by a gun or by lowering all the 1730 feet in length. The captive balloon will be placed in the centre of a circular enclosure 888 feet in diameter. It will tower above the beautiful gardens, and will form the most elevated dome in the Champ de Mars. The greatest precautions wil be taken to have every part of the great machine strong enough to resist all possible contingencies; the cable that fixes the going eight knots and with sails set, can be | balloon to earth will be so strong that a stopped in about twice her own length | hurricane could not snap it. An elaborate balloon will be located in the centre of the starboard. The cause is explained by the at his own expense; it will cost several

NELSON'S MOTTO.

One of the most precious legacies that theory, however, is wrongfully adduced in Nelson left his country is, perhaps, the the case of the Cymba, if it is attempted to famous watch-word, "England expects every man to do his duty!" Sir Harris Nicolas establish blame on the part of the steamer | in his Correspondence and Letters of Nelson, deemed it worth while to ascertain as precisely as he could the circumstances under which those words were uttered. There are three accounts of the matter-one of Mr. James, in his Naval History; one by Captain Blackwood, who commanded the Euryalus at the battle of Trafalgar; and one by Captain | the usual badge of nobility, a small foot. | the old dog-when the lady desired to see Pasco, who had been Nelson's flag-lieutenant | When I said we wanted to see her foot, her future lord, he substituted his handin the Victory. Sir Harris Nicholas accepts she evidently understood, for she laughed, some grandson for himself. His courtship Pasco's version, because that officer had and put out her tiny, pointed slippers. I t-erefore prospered; the bargain was himself to signal the words by means of got on my knee, and took her foot in my struck, and the young wife embarked with flags. His account runs thus: "His lord. lap and examined it closely, and measured the two gentlemen for their native place. ship came to me on the poop, and, after it. The foot and leg were tightly bound She seemed much embarrassed, however, ordering certain signals to be made, about a in white satin, fastened neatly around the by the attentions of the old man, and to make war, but not good ground for quarter to noon, he said, Mr. Pasco, I wish limb. There were bands of gold around looked round wonderingly for the youth; at to say to the fleet, "England confides that her ankles; her ankle measured ten inches last she burst out-"I really wish, Sir, immediately fall to pieces because her funds every man will do his duty," and he added, in circumference at its smallest place; her you will be good enough to get out of the are low. A despotic power like Russia, You must be quick, for I have one more to foot was two inches and three-quarters way. I married your grandson, not you especially when her people are enthusiasti- make, which is for close action.' I replied, long, two inches broad in the middle, and and I consider that you take a very un-'If your lordship will permit me to substitute one inch at the toes; over the white satin warrantable liberty in monopolising me in "expects" for "confides," the signal will band or stocking she wore blue satin slip. this manner." The old man chuckled become desperate, her best pecuniary hope soon be completed, because the word "ex. pers, embroidered in silver. The slippers "Keep cool, my dear," quoth he ; the may come to be the prizes of a successful pects" is in the vocabulary, whereas the come almost to a point at the toe. As a pretty youth you saw was not your huswar—a desperate hope perhaps, but one that word "confides" must be spelled? His natural consequence she could not walk, band." "Not my husband!" socceeched might impel her to do desperate deeds. lordship replied in haste, and with seeming but limped painfully along by the aid of a the now infuriated fair one,—"then, pray, Another ground for anticipating disaster to satisfaction, 'That will do, Pasco; make it cane. The doll-baby foot, so elaborately whose wife am I "-" Mine, darling," said Russia is the temper of Germany. The directly! When it had been answered by decorated with blue and silver, hanging to the venerable ainner, with an incinuating Pall Mall Gazette pute this forcibly in a a few ships in the van, he ordered me to the big ankle, which was, of course, dis- smile. "Yours-yours, you dreadful old make the signal for close action." Blackwood says that the correction suggested by the signal officer was from Nelson expects:" but Capt. Pasco's is accepted as

which would have started Russia back upon THE "BIG TREES" OF CALIFORNIA.

120 feet, coming out where was once a knot- of Odessa, the principal inhabitants are the most natural maxim for her then to hole, now enlarged by relic seckers to a wide making great demonstrations of patriotism. adopt, and her desire to effect the delidoorway. I saw several ladies ride Horses of One of the wealthiest of them, M. Pa- verance of certain provinces from the a medium size through this wooden tunnel. and one day while passing, riding one of my horses and leading the other packed with bulky specimens, I turned into the cavity and rode safely through. The ceiling overhead is 4 feet to 6 feet thick, so the grand promenade for visitors above is perfeetly safe." He mentious another monster | too, have offered large quantities of winter tree, whose stump he measured with his gloves for the soldiers. tape-line, "held at the other end by a Puritan master builder from Boston." and the longest diameter, including bark, at 5 feet from the base. was found to exceed 27 feet. He says also :- "The South Park Grove contains about 500 trees, some of them of the largest class. One, the home of 'Trapper Smith,' is a vast swollen trunk at base, 90 feet in circuit and 30 feet in diameter. The 'Livery Stable,' which has received 22 horses at a time into its hollowed base, is 84 feet in circuit. A fallen tree

is 15 feet in diameter, 20 feet from the roots. A cavity is burnt in it sufficient to comfortably shelter 25 or 30 horses, or to afford the passage of a Concord coach and its four-horse team for over 200 feet. These dimensions do not materially differ from some published statements, but counts and estimates of the rings reveal only 1200 to 1500 in number. Other groves visited afforded corroborative evidence that, though the dimensions, being easily determined are often given accurately, the age has been generally grossly exaggerated."

THE WAY 'TWAS DONE. A little scene occurred the other day in our local police court, between one of our able solicitors and a gentleman in blue, and the misunderstanding arose out of the witness not comprehending the meaning of certain terms. The following dialogue between a lawyer and a plain witness is a good hit for the too prevalent fashion of using big crooked words:-"Did the defendant knock "No, sir; he knocked him down with a lump of iron." "You missunderstand me. affair?" "No. sir: it was not a free concert gave it up at this, the obtuseness of the witness proving too much for his nerves .-

HOW RITUALISM PAYS. At any rate the supporters of London churches "rather advanced" pay well fo the satisfaction of encharistic vestment and altar candles. This is sufficiently evidenced by the amount of the offertories at the various places of worship in question. It appears that at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, there are no less than seventeen offertories per week, and the average sum which is derived from this source annually is said to be £7500. At St. Matthias', near Earl's Court Station, although only a Sunday offertory the amount realised reaches £8200 a year Mr Liddell obtains from the congregation at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, some £3000 per annum; whilst at St. Andrew's. Well street, the yearly estimate is £8287 12s. id. Mr Mackonochie's Church being situated in a poor district, the St. Alban's offertory is nothing remarkable; but that at St. Mary's, Paddington, can boast of an annual average of £5000. At most o these churches, it seems, the offertorics are reserved for the purchase of flowers candles, and new vestments, on which enormous sums are expended. But the lovers of ritual are not the only supporters of the offertory system, as the accounts of Trinity Church, Paddington, set down £3000 as the receipts from the same source.

Miscellaneous.

A DRUNKEN California miner has kicked a can of nitro-glycerine again, and his relations would feel a great deal better if they could find something more of him than one boot-strap. It seems ridiculous to have a funeral over only one boot-strap. HE was not a scientist, but he was modest;

and when a young man asked him at the tea-table what was meant by an ornithorbyncus, he frowned, and reminded him that there are some things which should not be mentioned before ladies.

An old coloured preacher in Columbus was lecturing a youth of his fold about the sin of dancing, when the latter protested that the Bible plainly said, "There is a time to dance." "Yes, dar am a time to dance. said the dark divine, "and it's when a boy gits a whippin' for gwine to a ball.'

Savannah News. It was our good fortune to be introduced | him to select a pretty maiden for his second to a Chinese lady of rank, who possessed wife; but-and here was the cunning of proportionately large, looked anything but | greybeard !" gasped the bride, " put me on handsome. According to my standard of shore this instant! You have cheated me aristocratically moulded limbs and feet, her in the grossest manner, and I'll raise the legs looked like sticks of wood whittled to neighbourhood if you retain me an instant a foot. But she was evidently very vain longer." This so frightened the old of her deformity, and accepted our surprise galliard that he hesitated not a moment as a compliment to herself.

A Californian botanist has sent to the says the fortifications of the harbour there price paid for her, and the would-be bride-Rural Press an account of the results of a are now complete. Four huge batteries groom lost wife and money too. But it Germany with whom her northern neighbour careful measurement of the famous big protest the town from the side of the served him right, for he had made his fortrees," and a laborious count of the rings in seal and terpedoes are ready to be laid If a Power is weakened with whom sooner or various stumps. The "Father of the down so as to make the harbour ought to have been pulled up by the police" later she will have to settle accounts. And Forest" has been said to have sprung from entirely inaccessible. The garrison has years and years before. Shanghai Courier. if in any such war Russia seemed to succeed the earth from after the Deluge, but the been augmented to the strength of a full (which is not a German wish) there are rings in his shattered trink shows that his division. At Nidolaieff and Otchakoff tinople has it in its power to prevent a always crushing means at hand to rectify full age at base is probably 1800 years the construction of the fortifications is also European war which would probably be Thermodieten-9a.m., that result, and of doing so with all the Hin alleged 40 feet dismeter proves to be making rapid progress. Most of the troops credit and advantage of "taving" the only 18 feet, measured at 6 feet from the which are now being despatched by Fallway Secord. Scarcely a power of any consedefeated party or parties. Here possible roots. This correspondent adds :- "One from Moscow via Kieff and Balta to Odossa concessions from one side come into view, as oft-repeated story is true, however, that of have been ordered to proceed to the Pruth by if once the blast of war were blown in the a passage through a part of his body large Kishenieff. The commissariat has made side, of "finishing off" a Power otherwise enough to admit horsemen. This passage, contracts for the supply of corn and horned at present compared with what they would burnt out of his heart, commenced at a cattle. Though the idea of war is not very become as soon as the sword was drawn

But, on the other hand, Germany is well | point 66 feet from the roots, and extends | popular among the commercial population. I'm for a penny, in for a pound" would be padopulo, has placed a magnificent palace oppression of the Turk would be at the disposal of the authorities to be used | changed into an open endeavour to extend as a hospital for the wounded, and other her own power to Constantinople. It is merchants have established kitchens at the | certain that England is not the only nower railway station, where all the troops coming which would resist such an attempt from the north are to be provided with food gratultously. The furriers of the town,

> The "Shosha," or second National (Native) Bank of Japan, accomplished, according to an American journal, a stroke of business during the recent commotion in the exchanges on which Wall-street itself might look with envy. "In the course of August last, when the large transactions in allk had all but denuded the market of dollars, emptied the coffers of the foreign banks, and sent exchange up in daily jumps, the Shosha purchased bank bill on London to the extent of 800,000 dols. at an average rate of exchange of 4s. 4b per dollar. This threatened at one time to be a very disastrous operation for the Shosha, as exchange in the early part of this month was pushed up to 4s. 6dd. The bank, however, quietly held its own until the reaction (which it is only fair to suppose it foresaw) had not only set in, in consequence of large arrivals of treasure, but had sent exchange down to 3s. 11d., at which rate the managers of the Shosha realized on about half their venture, netting in the course of a few weeks the very handsome profit of 40,000 dols. At the date of the last mail from Japan, or on the 26th of September, the balance of the investment was said to be still in the Shosha." which was likely to make more on a second than on the first sale, as exchange on that day was tolerably steady at 3s. 10d., but with a prospect of a further decline." JOHNNIE had been naughty. It's astoni-

be, when they try; and Johnnie had tried.

His blue eyes didn't look as usual, and his hair wasn't as golden, and instead of a bright smile, a ounning-oh! dear, what am I saying? an ugly, pout rested on his pretty little mouth. There he stood in the middle of the floor, baby fists on baby hips, feet very wide apart, the sweetest-I mean the naughtiest-wee rebel that ever defied mamma. Just think of it, only two years old, and defying mamma! "Will you be good?" asked mamma. mamma!" replied Johnie. Mamma opened her eyes—they were not blue as Johnnie'svery wide. "You won't?" she said. "No. ma'am," replied Johnnie. "Then," she said solemnly, "you must be punished. Go into the store-room and stay in there until you can say 'Yes ma'am.'" Johnnie went, and mamma closed the door, expecting to hear the wished-for "Yes," shouted forth instantly. But to her great surprise she heard not word or ery. Five minutes passed; utter silence. Ten minutes went by: not the slightest sound i and mamma began to grow impatient-for, after the manner of mammas. she was longing to kiss and forgive her boy. "Oh! the blessed darling," she said to herself, as the twelfth minute stole away "the punishment is too dreadful for him. How can I have been so hard-hearted? shut a merry little thing like that in a dark place; a baby that should never be out the sunshine, except when he's asleep; it's too bad." -And she flew to open the closet "John, as his father calls him, looked up at her, his whole face sparkling with fun. The blue had come back to his eyes and the gold to his hair and the smile to his lips. In his chubby hands he held the last piece of what, just fourteen minutes before, loaf of cake. Crumbs covered his face from chin to eyes, his cheeks shone, and sundry crisp fragments clung to his neck and bib. "Good gracious!" said mamma. "Dood take!" said Johnie.—Madge Elliot in Baldwin's Monthly.

THERE is a wealthy old person living about these parts, who the other day made a pilgrimage to Hangchow with a view to extending his harem. On entering the market, however, he found that not one of the marriageable young ladies would have anything to say to him; he was snuffy, he was sixty, he was everything that was ineligible. No doubt his bad luck served him right; for old gentlemen with wives and grandsons ought to be content with their blessings, and leave gallantry to younger men. But this wicked old fellow, nothing daunted, determined to pursue his quest in the fair city of Soochow, which is famed for the beauty of its girls; and we regret to say that in so doing he had recourse to a very reprehensible stratagem. Leaving his old wife at home, he took with him his grandson, a comely lad of nineteen or thereabouts, and set forth again upon his travels. Arrived at Soochow, he interviewed a middleman, and commissioned away aged the lady, back to her native A letter from Odessa in the Birsenseitung place | her guardians were richer by the tune by the establishment of lotteries, and

The Conference now sitting at Constan. one of the most general and terrible on quence in Europe could long remain quiet East. The Russian proposals are moderate

Austria, which is at present honestly anxious for peace, would be compelled to oppose Russia, with whose interests hers are far from being identical. Germany would not long be quiet if Russia sought to aggrandize her power in the south, but would take measures to preserve the balance in her own favour. But the Russian bear would not be left to be baited by all these powers without assistance. France is at present sincerely pacific, but the popular feeling would certainly drive the Government to resous its lost provinces whenever Germany entered the fray, and the latter power would have to contend against Russia on the east and France on the west. Austria would fare very much in the same way, for Italy could not resist the tempting opportunity of seizing the coveted Tyrol, The prospect is appalling enough to make the most ambitious of the powers shrink back. It rests with England to avert it. The Russian demands are not at present preposterous, and England must accede to the spirit of them. The trans-Balkan provinces of Turkey must be secured from future Turkish oppression by guarantees sufficient to ensure tranquillity and impartial administration, and it is impossible to obtain such securities without placing strong restrictions on the administrative power of Turkey. If England stand out for "administrative integrity," war will be inevitable, and England will bear the chief responsibility. But there is every reason for confidence that the Marquis of Salisbury will be magnanimous enough to meet Russia in a generous spirit and not shing how naughty two-year old babies can hurry Europe into a disastrous war by any foolish tenderness for the Turkish prestige. Lord Beaconstield's ambition is the one thing to be dreaded, but it ought to be sufficiently gratified by the undoubted fact that England is at present the arbiter of peace or war for Europe.—Friend of India

HER Majesty's ship Tenedos is homeward bound, after four years in the Pacific Station. On July 20 she was making for the Gulf of Penas when a gale sprung up, which made Cape Tresmontes on lee shore Towards night it moderated, and Captain Pollard, before turning in for the night, ordered fires to be banked, and the ship to proceed under topsail. She went spinning on at nine knots an hour, the shore being supposed to be thirty miles distant. About two in the morning Lieutenant Graham. officer of the watch, roused the captain saying he felt uneasy, and asking if the course should be changed or steam got up. Captain Pollard, however, ordered to keep on the same course until four o'clock. Soon afterwards land was sighted close under the lee bow. The helm was instantly ported; and the ship was answering excellently when the look-out man shouted, "Breakers on starboard bow." Lieut. Graham rushed forward, and through the intense darkness saw a gigantic rock shead about 500 yards away. It was instantly seen that she could not clear it by passing towards the open sear and whether there was any channel between the rock and the mainland could not be even guessed. To venture this was the only chance, however, and Graham, without one moment for reflection, had to act. He shouted. "Helm hard starboard! square yards! clear lower deck! call the captain!" had Every order was obeyed with lightning been a fine, brown, fragrant, fresh-baked alacrity, and there ensued a few moments of intense excitement and suspense. rushed the Tenedos apparently to certain destruction. Less than a minute after she swept through a narrow channel, almost grazing the huge rock one side, and within a hundred yards of the mainland on the other. As ten score men rushed up-from below, and saw how narrowly they had escaped destruction, even hardy sailors burst into tears, and Lieut. Graham was overwhelmed with thanks and congratula-

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